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A Look At MWC's Student Leaders

#### **Editorial**

## **Student Activism**

Unfortunate as it may be, most students at Mary Washington seldom think about student government, with the possible exception of spring election time. Students at MWC are, for the most part, chronically complacent when it comes to student activism. However the problem is not with the leadership options available to us, for this college has had an abundance of outstanding leaders in key positions of our Student Association

Dan Steen is a capable and hard working leader. Whether or not one agrees with Steen on every issue, you cannot help but feel that he really cares about MWC. That, perhaps, is the most important leadership quality one can possess. But a list of excellent student leaders at this college, aside from the fact that it would be quite long, does not suit our purpose here.

The problem is that there seems to be a real absence of the grass-roots type of activism seen at many of the progressive colleges and universities around the nation. One reason might be a true lack of concern for this educational community. The "suitcase" image of our college is a reflection of this. How can we expect students here to stand up and fight for things that are important to this college community when they are so eager to abandon it at their first chance each Friday afternoon?

There have been moments when students actually did try to actively participate in decisions regarding their own circumstances. The girls who were moved out of Trench Hill (study house) made a big enough ruckus to attract local media attention. When we felt the need for an expansion of basic freedoms (i.e. the extension of visitation hours and the freedom to choose whether we wish to have beer in our rooms in the form of cases or kegs) we fought or, more appropriately, pushed our leaders to fight to obtain these things.

However, an underlying feeling on this campus (and just how large it is is hard to tell) is that MWC is simply a place to grab a Gachelors degree and then get the hell out. We at *The Bullet* do not condone this feeling and, in fact, adamantly condemn it. To be a responsible student is to be a responsible participant in society. At times the only voice that can be heard is a loud one. We urge all members of this student body to shout in a commanding voice when it comes to issues that affect themselves and

their future at MWC.

## Get The Facts Straight

To the Editor,

In the September 27 issue of The Bullet, David Minor attacked WMWC in his weekly column. We, the Board Members of WMWC, feel there were many inaccuracies in his column and we wish to correct them.

Most of the albums in the station have been bought over the years at the requests of the DJ's. The DJ's represent a cross-section of the campus. The rest of the WMWC collection has been sent by record companies promoting their indidividual artists.

These promos include the station's collection of records by the group named after abdominal pains. And as Mr. Minor pointed out, DJ's can always bring their own records if they are not happy with what they find in the stations.

We believe the music played on WMWC reflects the musical tastes of the campus. We do not target our programming for any one group, as Mr. Minor suggests.

Our program includes southern rock, heavy metal, funk, progressive, Top 40, folk, news, comedy; and according to Program Director Liz Canale, we do have a classical show.

Furthermore, we tend to believe that "mainstream pop to weird new wave" is quite varied. (Notice the subtle differences between Billy Joel's "Tell Her About It" and the Dead Kennedy's "Kill the Poor".)

Also, our request line (9-373-5411) is always open. In this way, listeners have a direct control over what they want to hear.

As Mr. Minor points out, the "renaissance" of the news department has only recently taken place. With this in mind, it seems strange to mention an event that occurred over 1'4 years ago (i.e. the assassination of President Sadat).

However, we do agree that it would be nice to update our news sources. Unfortunately, to rent a news wire machine would cost over 80 percent of our budget, and this would seriously curtail our future record buying.

In summary, it seems Mr. Minor reached his conclusions about WMWC without conducting any investigations. To support this conclusion, he uses no pertinent facts and merely expresses his personal opinion.

We believe he would have received a more favorable impression if he had based his opinions on what the board members are doing this year, instead of basing his opinions on past performances.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Richard McCann, Instructor in English will give a poetry reading on Tuesday, October 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Ballroom, Lee Hall. The readings will be from McCann's own works, including a collection of poetry he is currently working on called Border Town. The poetry reading is free to the public.

Elections for Freshman Class Officers and Junior Honor Reps will be held Wednesday, October 5 from 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Wednesday, October 5 is REACH night in the Pub. Come with your partner(s). A 25 cent admission will be charged.

October 22, 1983 is the last day to register for the 1983 Professional Qualification Test to be administered at MWC, November 12. For details visit the Office of Career Placement Services, G.W. 203.

Auditions for the future coffee houses sponsored by the Campus Christian Community are taking place now. If you would like to perform, contact Bruce Van Horn, x4401.

A course may still be dropped from Tuesday, September 20 through Wednesday, October 26; however, the student will receive a grade of WP (withdraw passing) or WF (withdraw failing) while will appear on the student's permanent record Neither grade will affect the student's grade point average. The instructor of the course must sign the drop/add form indicating a grade of WP or WF before an advisor can sign it.

## Fan Defends WMWC's Variety

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To the Editor,

If you turn your AM radio to 540 today you may hear something familiar or something new. If you have an open mind, you may enjoy it.

I was quite offended by Dave Minor's column, "WMWC Needs Variety, News." After listening to the station for two days, I must say I'm impressed with the fact that there exists a station that plays such a variety of music.

Perhaps the controversy lies in the definition of variety. Is variety many songs by many artists, well-known or otherwise, or is it constant repetition of old and new Top 40 singles?

If you choose the latter, there are copious "variety" stations transmitted through the air that you may pick up quite clearly in your own room. (e.g. Q107, need I say more?)

A major concern I have about the article stems from Dave's statement, "I believe that [WMWC] does not reflect what the campus as a whole likes in music." Good observation, Dave. True, perhaps. But then, who really expects it to?

There are simply too many people with too many tastes on this campus to expect the station to cater to a common like. It seems to me that that's what major radio stations are for. Besides, who can specify a common like?

Naturally the disc jockeys are going to play the music they enjoy and hope their listeners will enjoy. The shortage of Top 40 singles and classical pieces should be blamed not on the disc jockeys, who are already volunteering their time, but those who sit back and complain.

I also wish to remark on the generalization, "the mohawk crowd." How can college students be so narrow-minded that their main topic of conversation lies with one person's hairstyle?

Granted, residing near D.C. and being in contact with many "hardcores" I am used to such things. However, I can truly say I have never seen such a reaction as was caused by someone's taste in choosing a hairstyle which becomes her.

Now, not omy have her friends been labeled "the mohawk crowd,", but the term has been applied to the disc jockeys at WMWC and their "select listeners."

Understandably, Dave's state of mind obviously couldn't contain itself to just judging the dis jockeys and their choice of friends music, etc.; he had to go further and analyze the names of a couple of musical groups.

Personally, I feel that is extremely childish, off-beat, and just narrow minded. The worst part of it is, I've heard many people agree with his opinions.

Why do people feel they can judge others on their looks or musical tastes? I'm tired of hearing "punks have no morals" or "they do it for attention." Live and let live.

I sincerely hope that the students of this college will leave here with much broader minds than they have right now; or they will be sorry cases indeed. Ignorance is the root of prejudice.

Cheryl Little

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## Freshmen Elect Officers Wed.

by MARYKATE BEHAN

The class of 1987 will be electing officers on Wednesday, October 5 the Dome Room. The announcemt of the Freshman class officers ll be at 10:00 on the same evening Dodd Auditorium. Installation of ficers will follow and there will be a ception after the ceremony.

ception after the ceremony. Candidates for the office of presint and vice-president were decided the October 3 preliminaries. Karin aderson, Wade Muehlhof, Pinson eal, Snapper Quartuccio, Dan ther and Scott Renick were all one presidential ballot. Running for cepresident were Liz Daily, Ken-Fulk, Holly Simmons and Greg aters. The results of the eliminary elections were available at press time.

"If I'm elected I want to get this as going and get involved, I don't to to sit back and let things hapn," said Kenny Fulk. Fulk said at he plans to "enhance the social at the college and get rid of gative connotations about the colge." He would also like to help onsor more activities for those der 19.

Holly Simmons would like to plan nings that the Freshmen class ould participate in-especially ose that do not drink. She added at she "just wants to help the ass."

Greg Waters said, "What I can do limited but I'd love to do

something to change the social life and try to keep students on the campus during the weekends-especially those who can't drink."

Three Honor Council representatives will be chosen from the Freshman class. The Honor representatives' main duty is to serve during Honor trials and to uphold the Honor Constitution as representatives of the class they

Janet Hall decided to run for the position because she thought the "Honor System has something to be said for it," and she wants to be involved with the system. She feels that it will be a good way to meet people and is eager to do the job.

"I'll be fair, objective and have an open mind about everything and uphold the Honor Constitution," Amy Moorefield, who is running for Honor Representative. Moorefield said that she decided to run because she "thinks the Honor System is really neat and wants to do something for it."

"I believe that the Honor System is one of its (MWC's) strongest attributes and needs strong people to keep it that way and I believe that I am one of those persons," said Honor Representative candidate Marjie Sanfilippo.

The class will also elect three Judicial Representatives who will have the responsibility of serving as jurors during Campus Judicial Court proceedings.

"I have been involved in student government before, for five years, and really enjoyed it-we improve our school a lot and I think we can improve it here," Jim Abel explained his reasons for running.

"I'm a doer," said Lisa Mathews.
"I like to get involved, I like to make things happen," she added:

Deanna Bergeron and Peggy Rogers are both running for Publicity Chairman, who will be responsible for publicizing all Freshman Class Council activities.

"I'd like to get involved at MWC and meet more people," said Bergeron. She explained, "I was really involved (in high school) and it feels really good to be involved."

"I really wanted to be involved in the Freshman class and felt that publicity was the best place for me because I was president and vicepresident of my youth group and I realize how important communication is between a council and its members," said Rogers.

Michelle Evans says that she is running for Secretary/Treasurer, "because I want to get involved in student activities and have a lot to do with everything that goes on in school."

Candidate Nina Rodriquez plans to listen to the class and see that their wants are met if she is elected Secretary/Treasurer. In addition, she hopes to raise money and see that it is "spent in a good way."

JIM EMERY

## Radio Free MWC

Last week, The Bullet featured a couple of articles on MWC's very own radio station WMWC, AM 540. As the stories indicated, the debate over what should be played on Mary Washington's airwaves continues.

Complicating the debate is the wide variety of musical taste at MWC. From prep to punk, obscure to top forty, it seems everybody has their particular preference. And everybody thinks that WMWC Radio should reflect their taste.

College stations have traditionally been free-form radio stations playing tunes that usually could not be heard anywhere else. Now it seems that some students want to turn WMWC into a WAVA annex. Let's take a few minutes and take a look at radio over the last fifteen years or

FM radio became popular in the late 1960's as an alternative to market orientated AM radio stations. AM stations (almost always commercial enterprises) were in business for one thing-to make money.

During the '60s, popular music began to diversify as the market grew tremendously. People's taste became fragmented as there were groups and musicians to please everybody.

With the great diversity in taste, an AM station could not please everybody, and so most adopted a sure-sell top forty program. AM stations just would not play Ten Years After, The Grateful Dead, early Fleetwood Mac (yes, they have been around since the mid sixties), and other progressive groups.

FM stations sprang up to fill the void left by AM radio. College stations made up many of these new, free form radio stations.

Overall, the new FM stations, whose existence did not depend on making a profit, could play a great variety of new (and in some cases, unusual) music. These stations

would play for hours without commercials--and didn't have to advertise about it. During the 1970's big business discovered FM. Corporations bought up FM stations and created "rock radio". Rock became mass marketed. Corporations controlled the air play and therefore limited which groups and songs listeners would hear.

Since these corporations also had ties to the record industry, radio stations became promotional vehicles to sell records. By the late '70s, FM radio such as WAVA, DC101, WASH-FM, and Q107, had become what AM had been ten years earlier-commercial enterprises whose existence & lely depended on making money.

In the past few years the last free form radio stations in this area closed down. Georgetown University's WGTU (''One Nation Underground''), and Warrenton's WERE (''The Oasis'') went off about two years ago. This past summer WHFS 102.3 from Bethesda went off but is expected to return on WEAM 1390 AM stereo. Within the MWC listening area there are no free form radio stations.

Virginia Tech experienced the same debate about its radio station that we are having now. Some students wanted the station to play mainstream rock-a.k.a. WAVA.

However, the station resisted their efforts and now has a very progressive free form program, including reggae on Sundays. The WVTU station management argued that there were plenty of local rock radio stations and the school station should fill the void left unfilled by commercial stations.

Most College and university stations offer a free form program because they are not under pressure to make a profit.

Hopefully WMWC radio will embark on a progressive format as an alternative to local stations. And besides, if we want th hear Journey, Styx, or Foreigner, all we have to do is put on WAVA; they're on every three songs or so.

## **Dorms Prettier, Safer**

by LIESL COCHENNOUR

Have you noticed some new rooms campus this year? MWC's sidence halls were renovated this immer and are now in the final ages.

ages. Last January, the Board of isitors allocated \$100,000 to decorate the common areas of the st needy dorms. Joan Limbrick, a WC art major graduate and nployee of Heritage Enterprise, c., worked closely with Dean puthworth to "stretch the money far as possible," said Southworth. Top priority in the project went to irginia Hall. The parlor was reinted and redecorated with new apes, rugs and re-upholstered furture. Westmoreland Hall received w furniture in the lobby and basent, as well as some painting, an ea rug and drapes. The remaining rniture there will go to Bushnell. hough repainting was not cessary in Russell, new drapes and rpet were installed in both lobbies. The newest residence hall, Mercer, ad to be slightly rebuilt. Some oms were better left as quads, ice as corner rooms they are bright nd cheery, said Southworth. Mercer lieved new furniture in its lobby nd study rooms.

The smaller residence halls and ouses also received some attention.

Brent received new drapes, reupholstered furniture and a rug. Marye added new bamboo furnishings, carpet and drapes, and in Tyler, the floor was refinished and their small common area redone. Hamlet, as well as Jefferson, received new carpeting.

The renovations should have been completed by Family Weekend, but will not be completed until January 1. Southworth considers the redecoration "a continuing process," and said that Mason and Randolph will be redecorated in the near future. The BOV has also budgeted \$1500 for the purchase of student and faculty art to be displayed in various residence halls.

All residence halls received smoke detectors in each room this past summer. In the fall of 1982, the Virginia legislature passed a law requiring the installation of the detectors. They will be inspected by state fire marshalls by January 1, 1984.

The smoke detectors, which are hard-wired into the electrical system, are located in every residence room and in the hallways for the larger dorms.

The individual room smoke detectors are not required to set off the whole system unless the dorm is more than four stories tail, but the hall detectors and heat detectors will. The smoke detectors are quite

sensitive and a great deal of smoking at a party might set them off.

The cost of the detectors and their installation was taken from auxiliary fees of the board charge. The project has cost approximately \$150,000 so

Though not required, the money remaining from what was appropriated to complete this project is being used to tie the academic buildings and the larger dorms into the campus police station.

This system will activate an alarm in the police station when a dorm alarm goes off. The houses, Willard, Virginia and Mercer will not be on this system because they have sprinkler systems to back up thesmoke detectors.

This project, as well as a few smoke detectors yet to be installed, will be completely operational and inspected before the deadline.

Though the fire regulation had already been passed, a dorm fire at William and Mary last winter reemphasized the seriousness of fire safety.

In that incident, a motor in a kitchen unit of the basement shorted causing a fire that spread through the floor to the outside of the building, engulfing and destroying all but the building's shell. Since the fire was not inside the building, the sprinkler system was not activated.

## Menagerie in Klein

The Source Theater of Washington, D.C. will present Tennessee Williams' The Glass Menagerie here October 8 and 9. The production will take place at Klein Memorial Theater. Curtain is 8 p.m. A percentage of the proceeds will go to the Fredericksburg Theater Company.

The Glass Menagerie is one of Williams classic "memory plays." It is a story of a young man's reminiscences about his crazy, pushy, Southern mother who tries to recapture her youth through her painfully shy, crippled daughter Laura. On this night, Laura finally receives her first gentlemen callerwith touching and disastrous results.

The Sources's production has been running two months to wide critical acclaim. The original cast is appearing in Fredericksburg. The play is directed by Barry Whiteman Khiteman founded the Source Theater Company a few years ago, and has since guided the company as its aristic director and producer.

The Sunday evening performance has already been sold out. Reservations are encouraged for Saturday evening's performance. Student tickets are \$5.00 and others are \$7.00. For ticket information and reservations, call the Fredericksburg Theater Company box office at \$371-7488.

**CHRIS GAY** 

#### ANNE BABER

## Reagan: A Cross Examination

In the beginning, there was a 12 percent annual inflation rate, a 21 percent prime interest rate, increasing unemployment and a petvasive feeling that the nation was floundering in what President Carter had recently termed "a crises of confidence."

The Reagan administration commenced amid predictions that spending and tax cuts would be highly inflationary and engender rampant urban crime.

Today inflation is around 3.5 percent, crime levels are down in virtually every category and the sun still rises in the East each morning.

After nearly three years of the Reagan administration, and with the advent of a new political season just around the corner (not unlike recovery a few months ago), an assessment of his performance is in order.

First the good news: in addition to lower inflation and interest rates, unemployment is falling and economic growth levels are exceeding those dreamt of by the most optimistic supply-sider,

Now the bad news: record deficits threaten to wipe out the good news. As the threat becomes more eminent, the administration is adopting, as its own, the old and once discarded idea that deficits have no adverse effect on interest rates, investment and all the rest. Perhaps the current situation is the clearest indication yet that Kevnes was right.

'Reagan's accomplishments have not been insignificant: he was elected over an incumbent president, introduced and won passage of a program entailing radical and disagreeable change and stuck to his guns despite constant and often withering criticism long enough to enjoy, in the recovery of the last few months, partial vindication of his policies.

As a leader, however, Reagan is lacking in the most vital aspects. He is clearly a third-rate intellect, if that, in a position which requires much more.

His inability to articulate himself without the aid of a script lends weight to the perception that he is woefully ignorant in important areas, but that he is interested enough to care.

Reagan's view of government intervention (if we take him at his word) as historically aberrant is itself aberrant.

It reveals in him a failure to grasp an organic view of society, which holds, among other things, that the history of man thus far has been a litany of attempts to forge some order within most people might be happy, and that the state, by definition, is the instrument by which this is done.

To view the state as seperate and distinct from the people whose interests are vested therein, is to stand the notion of government on its ear, to ignore its purpose and its role.

Even in the light of this, Reagan has shown greater leadership capability than most on the left care to admit. He did, after all, get most of what he wanted out of Congress, and still enjoys strong if not overwhelming support.

While he is no shoe-in for reelection, his supporters cannot be
classified as a lunatic fringe. The
nosedive in popularity anticipated
with both cervitude and relish by
most of the left has not occured for
several reasons, but primarily
because Reagan has provided a
sense of decisiveness and direction
sorely missed under Jimmy Carter,
who failed to realize that sometimes,
even a move potentially in the wrong
direction is preferable to stasis

Reagan's leadership is so vehemently criticized by the left (segments of which often define leadership as a Roosevelt/Kennedytype cult of personality) because, to its consternation, someone seemingly so inept has been fairly effective.

It is true that there are no final victories in politics, and only a few occasions when right or wrong is clearly discernable. One instance of clear miscalculation is attributable to those who chastise him as unfair because he has not made the world beautiful and desirable down to the last button of the last individual.

Despite all the criticism, his own faults and failures, Reagan's record is far from one of abject failure, and he remains a formidable candidate should he run again. There is something admirable about that.

These late eclipses in the sun and moon portend no good to us. Though the wisdom of nature can reason it thus and thus, yet nature finds itself scourg'd by the sequent effects. Love cools, friendship falls off, brothers divide. In cities, mutinies; in countries, discord; in palaces, treason...

King Lear, I.ii

Ronald Reagan. Economist. Statesman. Policy-maker. Diplomat. President.

In the past few years, the love that many countries felt for the United States has cooled, our friendship with western Europe has fallen off. At home, political parties seethe in their own turmoil. In the White House, Richard Nixon showed us treason, and the bond between state and citizen is cracking. The king falls from the bias of nature and calls for more and more spending, taxes, deficits, and weapons.

I do not pretend that "these late eclipses in the sun and moon" are President Reagan's fault. I do question whether one man can handle these burdens of state and if one man can, is Reagan that man? Reagan, like Lear, is an old man. Must George Bush be Cordelia?

Kurt Vonnegut has made an interesting analogy on the subject of Reagan's defense policy. Before I describe the analogy, I shall preface by quoting Dr. Kramer who rants that the trouble with analogies is that they are usually wrong. Wrong, yes; but often useful.

Vonnegut's tale is of an alcoholic who swears off drink. It is a difficult.

task, but he clears his home everything alcoholic. For sew weeks he drinks no liquor, but to one night he looks through refrigerator for a snack and may cold coke to quench his thirst. Ling behind the lettuce he spot frosty can of Budweiser. What he do? Think about it.

With that Vonnegut closes talk. The audience silences. The who may chug the beer is too m lige the man who may get car away and plug Kiev.

I began this column planning refute Chris points in a manner cand calculating if not down right hominem. We all know arguments. I could use this space talk about welfare, Lebanon steel workers in West Virginia steed, I'll touch on something on little overdone and leave it at it and (hopefully) still win the ament. Moet importantly, I shall endorse a Democratic candidate.

While I am not especially won about the snail darter, I am wor about our water, our air, and trees. These resources need it Here I say hell with no governmenter or the same possibility.

The private sector does not sto care. People use far more elect ty than they need. Their cars pol the air. They waste precious war. Their noise is impossible to esc Industry does not care, they wonly the almighty dollar. Help, President.

Can you help sir? Or m "machinations, hollowness [a treachery...follow us disquietly our graves?"

**RAY MATALONI** 

### Concrete Evidence

Post World War Two was a time for prosperity for the U.S. and prosperity meant cement. The suburban dream was in full bloom. Those who survived the war were free to exercise their primal urge to mate and veteran housing gave them a place to do it. Streets were paved, hedges and lawns were planted and the battle between the Joneses had begun.

Every couple dreamed of a car in front of the house and a patio in the back-a cement patio, a cement driveway, cement sidewalks. It was the dawn of the fifties and the genesis of cement.

Now, with our college celebrating its 75th anniversary, it is interesting to note how the fifties and how cement have left their mark on our campus.

Tucked away in a small grove behind Trinkle Library is our college's own shrine to the almighty mortar--the amphitheatre. Aside from the thin metal backrests, the entire creation is unified in the bond of concrete.

Probably having been a hot item in the fifties, this once glorious edifice is now crumbling. Age, dirt, and leaves have dulled the forum's once shimmering white to a flounder-belly grey.

Ah, If only all of Mary Washington's cement were tucked neatly behind Trinkle! This husky mother of mortar, however, has sent her seedlings to the wind in the form of concrete benches.

These benches seem so incongrous to our campus' harmonious unity of brick and arbor that their presence is baffling. Why should a campus so aesthetically pleasing choose to blemish itself with scattered banquettes a la trash heap?

Besides their repulsive appearance-what of their utility as benches? They make a great perch for the squirrels (and are most accessible to the squirrels) but the human derriere does not take kindly to scabrous cement.

You many also find your buttocks resting on the thin metal rail that supports the inept backrest. These benches are, in the most literal sense, a pain in the ass.

The location of these brutal settees is just as absurd as their construction. To list the specific placement of each bench would be humorous but taxing on the writer. Still, I cannot resist sharing a few of my favorites.

DARYL LEASE

## A Contradiction In Terms

Good taste and humor are a contradiction in terms, like a chaste whore.-Malcolm Muggeridge

Ah, Malcolm, old boy, you should speak to my editor about that.

I was flipping through fair-haired Muggeridge's Jesus Rediscovered recently at an antique shop downtown, and the jacket notes caught my bleary eyes: "In this revealing spiritual biography British columnist Malcolm Muggeridge, world famous for his caustic wit which has often been used against established religion, traces his growing awareness that, after all, the only true answer is to be found in the teachings of Jesus Christ."

Now, things haven't been quite right for me spirtually since last winter, when I saw Gandi and Caligula in the span of two weeks. Gulliver went gonzo and it was then that I theorized that people are either sheep, leaders of sheep, butchers of sheep, or writers, who take sheep behind trees and level with them about this sodomy thing.

"Yet when I saw that my soul brother Malcolm had found Jesus somewhere in the shuffle, those choices were quickly revised. And so, eager to get on with my salvation, I forked over fifty cents for the book.

When I got home, however, I realized I'd made a costly error. I knew I'd misjudged Malcolm when I read this jewel in the foreword: "...free distribution of contraceptives to students (is) conducive to sexual promiscuity."

No, Malcolm, no. Free distribution of contraceptives to students is conducive to sexual intercourse without conception. Promiscuity is another matter entirely, another matter entirely.

But all was not lost, for Malcolm did help me understand world affairs a bit better.

Aftermy bout with Malcolm, it occurred to me how useful it might have been for those at a recent meeting of the House Foreign Affairs Committee to have known about chaste whores and the importance of sticking to definition. Allow me to explain...

In an edition of The Washings Post last week, there was a photo Secretary of State George Schucovering his face in disbelief duritestimony before the Commit about U.S. involvement in Leban He was reacting to Marine Cor Commandant Gen. Paul X. Kell who had just made a reference troops "who were sent to Vietns a year ago.

When Schultz and Kelley were doing a cheap Marx Brothers imition, I suspect they talked about "peacekeeping" forces in Lebano

If George Orwell were alive tod and testifying before such comm tees, he might well point out that peacekeeping soldier in the middle battle is about as likely as a chat whore in a brothel.

And he might concede that guare somehow conducive to peace, I'm sure he'd note that when la numbers of people are shoot those guns and being shot at, i most definitely a war.

Peace is another matter entire



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In April 1982, Karl Liebert was elected president of the Commuting Students oAssociation (CSA). Also chosen were John Brooks, vice president; Lisa Schoenster, secretarytreasurer; and Mary Jo Brice, publicity chairman.

The CSA is designed to serve as a support for commuters. Its main goals are to develop more efficient ways of getting information about school activities and programs to commuters and to involve offcampus students in the campus

Too often, activities are planned without consideration for the special

needs of off-campus students. Many of them have jobs and/or families, long distances to travel, and very little free time. h addition, commuters frequently do not hear about campus opportunities.

In order to alleviate problems and the feelings of alienation that exist, Liebert and his staff have already begun working. They moved the CSA lounge to the Owl's Nest, located on the top floor of ACL.

In addition to comfortable sofas, chairs, and tables, the lounge has copies of This Week, a telephone number (ext. 4536), and a message

Long distance commuters may find the phone especially useful. Liebert's office, situated in the Student Association suite, also has a phone number (ext. 4060) that he hopes will be manned full-time.

Because many find the C-Shop more convenient, Liebert also hopes to have refreshments available in the

Picnics, pizza parties and other activit es for on and off-campus students and faculty are also planned. Liebert hopes that such group activities will stimulate interest and involve "new faces" in campus pro-

## ICA Busy With Carnival, Bazaar

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The Inter-Club Association is an organization that unifies other clubs. It is composed of presidents or representatives from other clubs on campus and it assists with activities such as Club Carnival.

Club Carnival was held a few veeks ago in the ACL Ballroom. (It is usually held out in Ball Circle, but because of inclimate weather, it had to be moved inside.) Club Carnival is just what its name implies-a carnival that all the clubs attend. Each

club sets up a seperate table so that all interested students can go to each individual table, learn about the club that he or she is interested in, and possibly sign up and join a club. The ICA plays an important part in that event. Another event that the ICA assisted in was the Faculty-Club Fair that was held on Family

In the future, the club will work with Class Council on the Christmas Bazaar. The Bazaar is really a crafts fair at which the different clubs (and individual craftsmen) sell interesting items ranging from puppets to glazen earthware.

Finally, the ICA helps establish new clubs here on campus and also assists in the effective functioning of the already established clubs. So if you want to start a club here on campus or want some information about any other clubs, just give Betsy Carswell (the ICA President) a call at

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The honor and judicial systems work best when students understand exactly how they work. "The Student Defense Service is one that can help educate students about how honor and judicial operate," said

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Anyone can apply to become a student defender. Applications are taken in April for the following year. The Commission is jointly selected by the presidents of Student Association, Judicial and Honor and the Defense Commission.

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Senate President Kim Holcomb anticipates a very good year for the MWC legislative body.

Holcomb, who as vice president of the Student Association serves as president of the Senate, described this year's Senators as a "very responsive group. They are willing to put in their time," he said.

The first duty of the Senate, as stated by Holcomb is to handle motions which are brought before the group at its weekly sessions. The installation of crosswalks, streetlamps and additional washing machines are examples of measures the Senate has taken toward various motions.

As well as meeting the needs of their constituents, senators also conduct other projects throughout the

The Senate will be developing and distributing a poll to students con{ cerning 24-hour visitation, as well as sponsoring various events in The Pool Room and conducting a number of money-making projects.

The Senate also plans to sponsor the "Assassination Game" again later this year. Holcomb explained that the rules for the game will be more clearly defined than last year, and the prizes will be more appeal-

A major goal of the Senate is to replace the voting machines used in by Miriam Clark and Abas Adenan,

elections with ballot boxes. Although the machines themselves are not expensive, getting people to watch them can be quite costly. The installation of ballot boxes within the residence halls would not only cut down on cost, but also ibcrease voter turnout.

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or the future, D'Amico said he ated more frequently. He also "to look into incentives" for

This can be seen as an asset to the ike D'Amico, MWC's newly judicial system's emerging image on ted Campus Judicial Chairman, campus, D'Amico explained, a challenging year before him as because the move "will separate the

daily responsibilities as chief ad- ward to the state-wide Honor/istrator of the Judicial System Judicial Convention to be held at e the resignation of Kerry MWC. During the convention, representatives from schools across presides over the Judicial Virginia will participate in during hearings on a regular workshops and speeches in order to s and is a member of the Ad- exchange ideas with each other.

D'Amico is in a unique position this year as Campus Judicial Chairmico has the added task of ap- man because he is also one of the hall ting judicial chairmen to each JC's in Jefferson Hall, a co-ed residence hall which currently has a

a month, has already instituted When asked whether he felt the imber of new policies within the new policy regarding 24-hour visita-cial system. He has created com-tion has shown an effect on his job as tes to update judicial policies and Campus Judicial Chairman, instituted a party policy review D'Amico replied that he has observrd. D'Amico also has made each ed positive changes in student atence hall JC an official hall staff titude. Because of the added living nber, an important step to open- option for students, he said, "The communications between Judicial System has become betterknown on campus."

D'Amico also believes there is a ns to have residence hall JC's greater sense of solidarity between students who live under the rules of s to create a committee of hall the 24-hour visitation system. "Now," he said, "the students can ents wishing to become JC's, identify with the Judicial System in as earlier dates for class a more positive way than in the past, because we've all got something at addition to these changes, the risk--24-hour vistation. Nobody cial office itself has been moved wants to lose that privilege." In its present location in the Stu- light of this, D'Amico said, his job Association Office in Lee Hall as Judicial Chairman is "to maintain he Student Self-Study Lounge, mass ties to make it work."

## **CSA Meets Needs of Commuting Students**

by YVONNE CAMPBELL

In April 1982, Karl Liebert was elected president of the Commuting Students qAssociation (CSA). Also chosen were John Brooks, vice president; Lisa Schoenster, secretarytreasurer; and Mary Jo Brice, publicity chairman.

The CSA is designed to serve as a support for commuters. Its main goals are to develop more efficient ways of getting information about school activities and programs to commuters and to involve offcampus students in the campus social mainstream.

Too often, activities are planned without consideration for the special

needs of off-campus students. Many of them have jobs and/or families. long distances to travel, and very little free time. 'h addition, commuters frequently do not hear about campus opportunities.

In order to alleviate problems and the feelings of alienation that exist, Liebert and his staff have already begun working. They moved the CSA lounge to the Owl's Nest, located on the top floor of ACL.

In addition to comfortable sofas, chairs, and tables, the lounge has copies of This Week, a telephone number (ext. 4536), and a message

Long distance commuters may find the phone especially useful. Liebert's office, situated in the Student Association suite, also has a phone number (ext. 4060) that he hopes will be manned full-time.

Because many find the C-Shop more convenient, Liebert also hopes to have refreshments available in the lounge.

Picnics, pizza parties and other activit es for on and off-campus students and faculty are also planned. Liebert hopes that such group activities will stimulate interest and involve "new faces" in campus pro-

## ICA Busy With Carnival, Bazaar

by DON YAROSZ

The Inter-Club Association is an organization that unifies other clubs. It is composed of presidents or representatives from other clubs on campus and it assists with activities such as Club Carnival.

Club Carnival was held a few weeks ago in the ACL Ballroom. (It is usually held out in Ball Circle, but, because of inclimate weather, it had to be moved inside.) Club Carnival is just what its name implies-a carnival that all the clubs attend. Each

club sets up a seperate table so that all interested students can go to each individual table, learn about the club that he or she is interested in, and possibly sign up and join a club. The ICA plays an important part in that event. Another event that the ICA assisted in was the Faculty-Club Fair that was held on Family

In the future, the club will work with Class Council on the Christmas Bazaar. The Bazaar is really a crafts fair at which the different clubs (and individual craftsmen) sell interesting items ranging from puppets to glazen earthware.

Finally, the ICA helps establish new clubs here on campus and also assists in the effective functioning of the already established clubs. So if you want to start a club here on campus or want some information about any other clubs, just give Betsy Carswell (the ICA President) a call at ext. 4436.

## Jones Builds Strong Defense

by KATHY McDONALD

is common knowledge at MWC students accused of an honor or tial violation are taken to the ctive court where the case is d. It is not common knowledge, ver, that the accused can seek assistance of the Student ase Commission to him plead

he Student Defense Commisconsists of ten students from us majors who provide basicseling for anyone accused of an r, judicial or administrative tion," explained Executive issioner Ford Jones.



Photo by Janna Knight

"The members of the commission know thetgeneral principles of law as defined by the judicial and honor constitutions. We find the facts pertaining to a case and defend the student's rights in court to ensure that due process of the law is upheld," he

"Many students do not know that student defense is available outside the court," he explained. Student defenders can help clear up any misconceptions about what constitutes a violation, and what steps to take if they witness one.

The honor and judicial systems work best when students understand exactly how they work. "The Student Defense Service is one that can help educate students about how honor and judicial operate," said

In an effort to dispel any fears i spired by a lack of knowledge about honor and judicial court, the Student Defense Comission is hoping to take part in an open mock trial this spring. "We feel that students can have more respect for the institutions of honor and judicial if they know what takes place at a trial,"

Students need to use the defense available to them so all the facts are brought out in the trial. In most cases, consideration of the circumstances can influence the court's decision. If they are not expressed at the trial, the system is not working at its full potential," explained

"In the past, Student Defense had more than ten members and training these members was a problem," said Jones. "The commission is now limited to ten defenders who will undergo training that involves ob servation of trials and case preparation with an experienced defender."

He added, "I really feel good about the Defense Commission this year and the honor and judicial-courts we will be working with. I think the various policy changes this semester, like visitation and keg rules, will enable Student Defense to be more active in trials. Students need to use the Student Defense Commission in both judicial and honor courts and not take these violations lightly," explained Jones.

Anyone can apply to become a student defender. Applications are taken in April for the following year. The Commission is jointly selected by the presidents of Student Association, Judicial and Honor and the Defense Commission

We look for well-rounded students who can express their ideas clearly. They also need an understanding of the honor and judicial systems so they can be useful to students both in and out of the courtroom," said Jones.

### Holcomb Forsees Success

by SUSAN LOYD

Senate President Kim Holcomb anticipates a very good year for the MWC legislative body.

Holcomb, who as vice president of the Student Association serves as president of the Senate, described this year's Senators as a "very responsive group. They are willing to put in their time," he said.

The first duty of the Senate, as stated by Holcomb is to handle motions which are brought before the group at its weekly sessions. The installation of crosswalks, streetlamns and additional washing machines are examples of measures the Senate has taken toward various motions.

As well as meeting the needs of their constituents, senators also conduct other projects throughout the

The Senate will be developing and distributing a poll to students cont cerning 24-hour visitation, as well as sponsoring various events in The Pool Room and conducting a number of money-making projects.

The Senate also plans to sponsor the "Assassination Game" again later this year. Holcomb explained that the rules for the game will be more clearly defined than last year. and the prizes will be more appeal-

A major goal of the Senate is to replace the voting machines used in by Miriam Clark and Abas Adenan.

elections with ballot boxes. Although the machines themselves are not expensive, getting people to watch them can be quite costly. The installation of ballot boxes within the residence halls would not only cut down on cost, but also ibcrease voter turnout.

As president of the Senate, Holcomb hopes to "increase the communication between senators and their constituents. I would also like to increase the respect given to senators," he added, "I want them to feel important, because they are.' Holcomb hopes to be able to express his appreciation by throwing the Senate a party at the end of the year.

As a final goal, Holcomb would like to strengthen the relationship between the Senate and the College administration. Although the relationship in the past has been very good, Holcomb hopes to enhance it

There are five standing committees in the Senate. They are: the Rules and Procedures Committe, chaired by Wendy Stone and Debbie Longest; the Special Projects Committee, chaired by Andy Flemer and Kathy Lidy; the Student Opinion Committee, chaired by Valerie Sidney and Teal Squires; the Publicity Committee, chaired by Patty Barry and Nancy Fowler; and the Student Welfare Committee, chaired

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Academics and athletics, it appears to me, should be able to wash each other's hands at an institution of higher learning.

Academics should give athletes a reason to go to a school other than to play ball. Athletics should help spread the name of the college and help give the students a sense of pride in their school.

Here at Mary Washington this attitude appears to have been adopted. However, an attempt by our administration to make our students more studious has in effect penalized MWC's athletes for their participation in sports.

The policy which inordinately affects the athletes on this campus is the attendance policy adopted last year. The policy states that any student who misses nine class hours in any 100- or 200- level class will be forced to withdraw from that class.

In all fairness to the faculty, it should be understood that the policy was intended to help the students who would dig themselves into a hole by not attending class. However, I would argue that any student, be he freshman or senior, who doesn't have enough sense to go to a class he's having trouble with doesn't belong on this campus.

So what does all this have to do with athletics.

The structure of athletics, as even any student who doesn't attend class will tell you, involves competition. Competition between other colleges and universities involves not only playing time but also travel time. And, if you have to travel to play, you have to occasionally miss

The athletic department here has a good track record as far as scheduling goes. It tries to make sure that athletes miss as little class as possible because it knows how important attendance can be.

But because athletes have to miss a few classes, they are being penalized by the attendance policy.

The policy leaves very little room for excused absences and penalizes a student for days missed if he adds the class late. The definition of an absence is simple-if you're not in class, you're absent.

So if you're sick or home because of a death in the family or playing in a ballgame, you're absent, just as absent as your fellow student who drank too much last night and decided to sleep off his hangover.

There is a provision for appeals to the rule, but the appeals are almost a last resort and apply only after a student has gone over his allotted number of absences.

Because of the policy, athletic director Ed Hegmann has tried to schedule as many contests as possible on the weekend. But many allfemale schools try to stay away from weekend games, so sometimes difficulties arise.

While the rule affects all athletes, freshman athletes are particularly affected. They are the last students to register and get stuck with the classtimes other students avoidnights and late Friday afternoon.

Since many events are scheduled Friday and in the evenings, a s dent will sometimes have to eit miss class or miss a match. Since student gets the boot for miss three night classes, one absercounts an awful lot.

Hegmann, who also coaches women's tennis team, is very up

"I hopefully will be able to take best six players to all our matche he said. "But if I have to leave t people here, it could cost us a trip the nationals. (With this poli there will be times when we ca field the best team for Ma Washington."

Hegmann says that since the lege has expanded its business computer science curricult without the benefit of fullti teaching slots, part-time instruct have been called on to fill the Because part-time instructors us ly have fulltime jobs, often the times they can teach are nights. T has led to an overabundance of ni courses in those programs, grams which are more and more pealing to college students today.

That puts an extra crunch students, particularly freshma who look to enter those program Now, after more than a year un

the attendance policy, we can take good look at it and see wh changes need to be made.

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## ennis Team Remains Unbeaten

by NANCY FOSTER

women's tennis team ran its to 6-0 this week with a pair of victories

Wednesday the Tide dropped hree games while whipping the ear team from Marymount ge of Washington. Only five and two doubles matches played because Marymount player short.

C swept the singles play the day and notched a 7-2 victory Johns Hopkins, Julie Collins, e Wardman, Jaime Rund. ra Haberstroh, Sherri Weldon isa Cope and the doubles team lins-Haberstroh took straight tories in the match.

#### GOLE

C's golfers tied for third in an ool field in the Old Dominion Course Invitational tournaast Monday and Tuesday.

Tide showed a 23-shot iment in the second round of ournament and was the only in the event to improve on its lay score. The Tide was tenth the opening round.

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offer this modest proposal to culty. Sit back and take a look attendance policy. Examine ints I've mentioned above to it doesn't have faults. If you that it does, move to rectify ults. Stop penalizing both Washington's athletes and Washington.

#### Quotables

Roberts, Hall of Fame pitcher, greatest All-Star game thrill, Mickey Mantle bunted with nd blowing out in Crosley

erchant. Riggins, like Joe Namath, is na wrapped in a bandage.

Bertossi (175).

#### SOCCER

MWC squandered a first half lead but managed to hold on for a 2-2 tie against Georgetown on Saturday.

Bill Lohr scored both goals for MWC, now 3-4-1 for the season.

"We played well in the first half," said Tide coach Roy Gordon, "but the second half goalkeeper was the difference. Georgetown's goalkeeper was outstanding."

On Wednesday the Tide dropped a 2-1 decision to Washington & Lee. It was the Generals' fifth win in as many meetings between the two

MWC began last week with a 1-0 victory over Salisbury State on Sunday. The victory was the first shutout win for the Tide this season.

Jeff Miller scored the lone goal of the contest with just 6:13 left to play.

#### FIELD HOCKEY

MWC posted its first win of the year on Monday, a 3-1 decision over Mary Baldwin College. Freshman Pam Heller scored two goals to pace

MWC dominated the match, scoring all three goals in the first ten minutes of play. Tide goalkeeper Peggy O'Neill never had to make a

Longwood College, ranked seventh in the nation in Division II. shutout the Tide 3-0 on Thursday.

#### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

The Tide placed fifth in a 15 team competition on Saturday and was the highest finishing Division III

MWC placed three runners in the top 15. Martha Forsyth led the Tide, finishing third overall with a 17:18 clocking to break MWC's record for a three-mile course.

Marlene Moreno, who held the old three-mile record of 18:13, finished 11th in 17:48, and freshman Lisa Petrilli was 15th in 17:53.

#### MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

The Tide lost a close meet to Catholic University 27-28 on Satur-

Dave Modrak took third, covering the five-mile course in 27:38. He was followed by Wade Muehlhof (fourth, 27:59), Mike Good (fifth, 28:03), Don Zdancewicz (sixth, 28:28) and Paul Gauter (tenth, 29:33).

#### Correction

Margo Crews' name was inadvertantly misspelled in last week's volleyball section of the Sports



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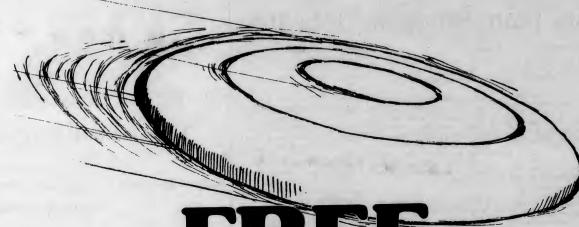


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